

PATRICK KARNLEY ATTN:

HAVA 3023 (IN 18502)

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- HKHA 5668 C.
 - DIR \$3177 (OUT 66407)*
- SUBJECTS ARTIME AND VARONA LEFT HAVA ON SS VERAMAR ABOUT 1988 HOURS 14 DECEMBER, ETA TAMPA 16 DEC. REQUEST MEET AT DELFA LINE DOCKS.
- EXFILTRATION NOT BY PADRE BALBINO AND SPAN EMB CONTACTS AS INDICATED REF A BUT BY AMOOD WHO MADE UNEXPECTED APPEARANCE HAVA. VERAMAR CAPTAIN GEORGE JONES IS BROTHER IVAN WHO PARTICIPATED IN PREVIOUS EXFILTRATIONS. NO OTHER INFO.
- 3. WHILE WAITING EXFILTRATION ARTIME REVISED RESIGNATION LETTER WHICH NOW IN POSSESSION OF STATION. SCALED PHOTOS THIS LETTER POUCHED HOS REF 9 AND TO MEXI REF C FOR STATION AND ARTIME USE ONCE CONTACT MADE THERE.

STATION TAKING NO KUCAGE ACTION RE EXPLOITATION ARTIME

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PRECLUDE PASSING ARTIME LETTER TO BROTHER BALBINO TOGETHER WITH ARTIME NOTE TO LOCAL PRESS FOR USE HE SEES FIT. ADVISE.

5. REQUEST KARNLEY REINBURSE ARTIME U. S. \$400 WHICH STATION ASKED HIM PAY BOAT CAPTAIN. Done 15 Dec. RR.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S Comments: *Concerned plans to exfiltrate Manuel Francis Artime, INAA official in Oriente province, from Caba and KUCAGE (3) exploitation of his defection as well as a written letter implicating Castro in a Communist conspiracy.

**Stated that the next attempt to exfiltrate Artime and Varona would be made over the weekend of 12-14 December by Padre Balbing via his Spanish Empassy contacts.

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